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Rocket campaign concludes



Anniston Chemical Activity and Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility workers concluded the handling and demilitarizing of VX M55 rockets on March 8, 2007.

Key Messages

- The Anniston chemical munition stockpile is safely stored and maintained by the employees of the Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) under the command of Lt.Col. Phillip M. Trued, Jr.
- Disposal is safer than indefinite storage.
- Since 1990, more than 12,030 tons of chemicals and more than 1.804.800 munitions have been incinerated at U.S. Army facilities.
- The U.S. Army IS committed to the safety of the community and the environment.



Last VX-filled rocket safely processed

Workers preparing facility for artillery disposal The last VX-filled M55 rocket was handled safely by Danielle Nelson and

Thaddeus Moore in the Unpack Area at the Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility. Workers are now preparing for the receipt and handling of VX-filled 155mm artillery shells. That campaign should begin this summer. (Sholin)

Anniston Milestones

- July 23, 2006 ~ March 8, 2007: VXfilled M55 rocket disposal operations safely demilitarize all 35,662 rockets and warheads. Additionally, more than 41,056 gallons of VX have been processed.
- **August 9, 2003 ~ March 2, 2006:** Safe disposal operations demilitarize all 142,428 GB munitions and 874,436 pounds (96,246 gallons) of GB nerve agent.
- **1997** ~ **2001**: The Pentagon spends more than \$340 million to build the ANCDF.
- **1996:** The Pentagon hires Westinghouse Anniston to build, test, operate, and close the ANCDF.
- **1961:** Anniston Army Depot begins chemical munitions storage mission.



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